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Strawberry Catalogue

And a Partial List of Trees and
Plants Especially Adapted for
Fall Planting, Grown at the

North Main Street Nursery

One mile north of the railroad depot, between North Main and
Chestnut Streets, opposite the City Hospital.

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Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Vines, Roses, Shrubs, Pæonies,
etc., with descriptions and prices. How and when
to plant; the result of 50 years' practice.

Information

FOR ORDERING AND SHIPMENT OF PLANTS.

Location of Springfield.

	Miles	Time	Fare		Miles	Time	Fare
Boston	98	2:30	\$2 23	New Haven	62	1:20	\$1 25
Worcester	54	1:30	1 24	New York City	136	3:30	2 75
Holyoke	7	20	20	Pittsfield	52	1:35	1 17
Northampton	16	40	40	Albany, N. Y.	102	3:00	2 34
Hartford, Conn.	26	40	50				

DOUBLE-TRACK RAILROADS lead to all the above cities, and other single-track roads and branches, like the spokes of a wheel, extend to numerous smaller towns, giving us great advantages in making prompt shipments and quick delivery of our goods.

SPRINGFIELD IS THE TERMINUS of the New York and New Haven line, of the New York and New England, of the Connecticut River, of the Athol Branch, and of the Boston and Maine. By this road we can now ship trees and plants to all the states north of us—Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont—without change or delay.

THE AMERICAN EXPRESS and the ADAMS EXPRESS deliver all orders at OUR OFFICE twice daily. They also forward our trees and plants directly from the Nursery, at special low rates.

OTHER EXPRESSES run to Holyoke, Chicopee Falls, Westfield, Ludlow and Thompsonville. We prefer to ship packages of medium size by express. Large trees can only be shipped by freight trains, for which the rates have been reduced, and are now reasonable.

OUR MAIL TRADE. We grow a large number of Trees, Shrubs, Vines, Roses, and other plants, for sending by mail. Many of them are of necessity of small size and low price. They will be securely packed, and will go safely to any state.

 TREES DELIVERED AT ANY PLACE IN SPRINGFIELD, WITHOUT EXPENSE.

EARLY ORDERS BY MAIL ARE REQUESTED.

CITY PURCHASERS can pay the driver when he delivers their orders.

PACKING in bales or boxes is done by skilled workmen, so that trees may travel hundreds of miles in safety.

CARTAGE FREE TO ANY DEPOT, or Express, or city residence. When shipped, trees and plants will be added, to pay Express or Freight.

PURCHASERS SHOULD PLAINLY STATE by what route their goods are to be conveyed. Otherwise we will forward them by the best in our opinion; but we will not in any way be responsible for delay or damage in transit, or loss in after-cultivation.

ANY ERRORS COMMITTED BY US will be cheerfully rectified if notice is given immediately.

TERMS, CASH WITH THE ORDER, or satisfactory security before shipment. *Money by mail may be sent as follows, at our risk:* By Bank Check, payable to our order. By Post-Office Money Order. By Express Money Order. By Registered Letter.

Two dollars, or less, in Bank Bills or Post-Office Stamps, in letters well sealed and plainly addressed to

J. W. ADAMS & CO., Springfield, Mass.

TO OUR PATRONS.

OUR STOCK OF PLANTS AND TREES suited to this climate is complete in every department. We especially invite intending buyers to visit the Nursery now, and see our stock, before shipping time crowds us with orders. We claim that it is superior to any other. Our trees have better roots and are much more vigorous and of larger sizes, and are handled with greater care than those grown in less favorable locations. The Proprietors devote their entire time and attention to the business; employ skilled labor; grow only the best of each class, and leave nothing undone to promote the successful shipment and growth of their plants. Our trees and plants are warranted true to name and of the grades stated in our Catalogues. Should any stock not prove as represented, we will either refund the purchase money, or replace the stock with the same variety, true to name, free. While we exercise great care to prevent mistakes, we are not liable for further damages, as all goods are sold under the above conditions. Our facilities for growing fine stock are in many respects unequalled. We have a fertile soil, without high manuring; not affected by drouth or floods; thoroughly cultivated; with the best climate, and shipping point in New England; easy of access at all seasons. We solicit the trade of people who desire to set out Trees and Plants of superior quality.

Strawberry Report.

A dry, hot Summer is not regarded as the most favorable for small fruits. Old beds (of which we have none) may be considered of little value: in fact the labor of rejuvenating an old strawberry bed is seldom, if ever, worth the cost. A dry season is not productive of a multitude of runners, and late spring settings fail to give the returns gardeners desire.

Last August and September we succeeded in doing what was never done before in this Nursery. We planted expressly for early runners every variety that we thought we should need. The plants were set with the greatest care and all lived and some of them commenced in the fall to make runners; showing at the close of winter a decided advance over spring set plants. Having been carefully weeded and the blossoms cut off, the young plants now cover the ground, looking like a green lawn. We have discarded such varieties as seem inclined to rust and those which have too much foliage, like the Cloud and Pacific. These, which we now offer, are, we believe, the best which are to be found anywhere and our customers may order them with confidence.

Soil and Situation. Land which will produce paying crops of corn can be relied upon to give good returns if planted to strawberries.

Preparation. Deep and thorough cultivation nowhere rewards the private or market gardener so bountifully and immediately, as with this most delicious fruit. It should be our ambition to grow the greatest possible quantities, as well as the largest and finest berries. **VERY LARGE STRAWBERRIES** sell in market much more readily, and for a much higher price, than berries of ordinary size.

Land in Sod should be cultivated one year or more with corn or garden vegetables, to destroy the grubs which often in great numbers subsist upon the roots of grass, but do not remain in land which is kept clean of weeds.

Setting Plants in August and September, even in dry and sandy soil, can be successfully done. Dig holes the size of a tumbler, and then fill them with water. Set the plants and cover each with a large leaf, which may remain for a week, when it must be removed. If carefully set out at that season they will produce a good crop in less than ten months' time.

Potted Plants. These we furnish in August and September, but only to customers who order ten days or more before they desire to receive them. Such plants, set out at that season, give paying crops the next summer, and there is no risk; *but potted plants are never set out in the spring.* We recommend them for small gardens, as such plants are not injured in transplanting and will, with good care produce fine fruit next June.

Hoing and Weeding is, after all, the great secret to success, or the reason why one prospers while half a dozen neighbors equally well situated fail. Hoing should be done early and often.

Distances to Plant in Gardens: fifteen inches square, if kept in hills; set in that manner four or five rows, then leave a path two feet wide. No runners should be allowed to grow.

Field Culture. The rows may be three and half feet apart and the plants in the row one and a half feet.

Draw a Line, and have the rows perfectly straight. Whoever can grow strawberries in hills will find that the fruit is larger and the cultivation much less. Another element of benefit to the grower who would have big berries, is to plant new beds every year, and have but one harvest. To weed and renew an old bed is many times more work than to plant annually.

Strawberry Plants at North Main Street Nursery are grown in large quantities, not for fruit, but to secure superior plants to supply our trade.

The Ground being Thoroughly Prepared at much labor and expense, it is not wise to plant any but the best varieties, and only strong and healthy plants. It is better to send to a trustworthy grower and pay him a fair price, than to accept ordinary plants as a gift. *N. B.*—The difference between plants *grown only for the runners* and those which, like the weeds, exhaust the crowded beds, must be apparent to every intelligent cultivator.

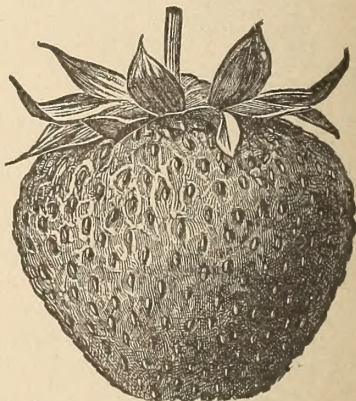
New Varieties we purchase from the originators, when possible, to insure correctness, occasionally paying more than a dollar apiece for them, and in a few months selling young plants of the same at a less price per dozen. We continue our practice, begun in 1880, of planting in our trial beds new strawberries as they appear, and rejecting such as are in no respect superior. The fruit product this season has been abundant, and the demand equally large. In our trial beds have been planted thirty named varieties, and many more without names.

Intending Buyers are invited to visit and examine our plants in our trial beds.

✓ **Barton's Eclipse.** An improvement on the Haverland and Warfield in productiveness, says a distinguished grower in Ohio, its large, bright color and excellent flavor being in its favor. One of our customers cultivates with great skill more than a score of the choicest varieties. A visitor who saw them when in fruit, singled out this one as the best, and ordered 20 dozen plants at \$1 per dozen.

✓ **Beverly.** Growers in Eastern Massachusetts and Ohio, write, "the plant is healthy and productive and the fruit is large, fine-looking and of good quality. It is very late in ripening, and bears a long time." One of our customers said, "we had Strawberries of our own raising on our table 45 days, ending with Beverly."

✓ **Bubach.** This most popular, extra large fruit is a fair grower and very productive. Its color is orange scarlet, rather firm and of good quality. The average size of the berries was as large as the Eureka, and more prolific.



Barton's Eclipse.

THE HAMPDEN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY awarded us the FIRST PREMIUM of \$10 for the best field exhibit.

THE HAMPDEN COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY awarded us FIRST PREMIUMS for the best four varieties.

COL. EDGERLY'S SPECIAL PRIZE OF \$10 was awarded us for the five best plates on exhibition.

✓ **Cumberland.** Fruit of this old variety is so large round, and the plants so healthy and productive, that we have replaced it in our collection of choice Strawberries for gardens and home use.

✓ **Gov. Hoard.** We have had this variety two seasons, and have given it a prominent place in our list, because it has so many good qualities. The plants are very vigorous and free from rust; the blossoms are perfect, and the fruit ripens quite early. Berries large, brilliant red, firm and of rich flavor.

✓ **Greenville.** From Ohio. This variety has fruited on our grounds, is healthy and promising. It was sent us as a new edition of Bubach; lighter in color, a stronger grower, and quite as productive. If these points are maintained here, it will be in demand by growers for the market.

✓ **Haverland.** Another trial confirms our good opinion of this variety. This year it produced an abundant crop of fruit, each plant as set out in hills being surrounded with clusters, which ripened early and were strikingly beautiful. It has the same shape and bright color as the Crescent, and is double its size. It does not burn in August, and bears abundantly. It is also very early, and continues a long time.

✓ **Jessie.** Extra large, deep red and excellent in quality. The plants are vigorous, stand the sun, and bear well. We can supply plants of our own growing.

✓ **Marshall.** Large size, good form, very dark red, extending through the berry. Fine flavor and a good keeper. Plants vigorous. First prize by Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1894.—Plants of this variety were sold last year at ten dollars per dozen. We now offer potted plants at \$1.00 per dozen.

✓ **Muskingum.** Fruit very large, roundish, conical, uniform in size and

never misshapen. Dark, glossy red; a good bearer, healthy and vigorous, and the fruit is attractive and of good quality.

✓ **Princess.** A new variety from Minnesota, where it appears to be superseding the older sorts.

✓ **Saunders.** A valuable market berry from Canada. Fruit large conical, dark glossy red, and flesh of same color. Medium early and of good quality.

✓ **Sharpless.** Extra large, mild, sweet flavor, with broad, healthy leaves. Being the first to disseminate this variety in the New England states, we have watched its continued popularity with much interest.

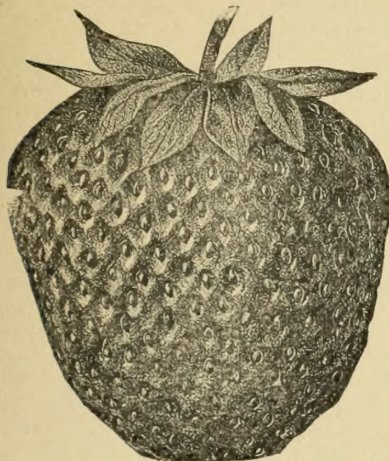
✓ **Timbrell.** Very large, conical, irregular, crimson, firm, late and excellent in flavor. This new variety, so highly extolled at the west, has disappointed us. The fruit does not ripen, or if ripe is spotted white and red.

There is neither pleasure nor profit in raising inferior fruit. To be salable, Strawberries must be of good size and attractive in form and color. To be profitable, they must be vigorous and prolific. For the private garden, they should possess high flavor. Those recommended, DO THE BEST IN OUR TRIAL BEDS, where all have the same soil and treatment.

Prices of Strawberry Plants.

POTTED PLANTS for setting in AUGUST and SEPTEMBER, cost ONE CENT EACH, in addition to the following prices.

Many of our customers prefer to have the young runners layered in small thumb pots. For this purpose, orders should be given at least *ten days before the plants*



Marshall.

are wanted. When ready to ship, they can then be set out and every plant will grow and produce a good crop the next season.

VARIETIES MARKED (P) have perfect blossoms. Every third or fourth row should be set with such varieties, to insure the best results in perfect fruit.

	Price per doz.	Per 30	Per 100		Price per doz.	Per 30	Per 100
Barton's Eclipse	\$0 30	\$0 50	\$1 00	Michel's Early (P)	30	50	
Beder Wood (P)	30	50		Marshall (P)	1 00		
Beverly (P)	30			Muskingum (P)	30		
Rubach	30	50	1 00	Princess	\$0 30		
Cumberland (P)	30	50		Saunders (P)	30		
Gov. Hoard (P)	30	50	1 00	Sharpless (P)	30	50	
Greenville	30	50	1 00	Shuster's Gem (P)	30		
Haverland	30	50	1 00	Timbrell	30	50	
Jessie (P)	30	50	1 00	Fine Mixed Varieties of			
Jewell	60			the above	30	\$0 50	\$0 75
Leader (P)	30						

Any 12 Varieties, one doz. of each, for \$3.00; Potted, for \$4.50.

Any 12 Varieties, six plants of each, \$2.00; Potted, for \$2.75.

6 Varieties, one doz. of each, \$2.00; Potted for \$2 75.

Since the reduction in postage, Strawberry plants, when desired, will be sent postpaid by mail at the 30 or dozen rates. For 100 plants by mail, add 10 cents.

Our new system of packing is so perfect that plants can be sent in this way with the greatest security. Larger quantities had better go by express. No charge for packing Strawberries.

Currants.

Cherry. The largest of all red Currants; bunches short, plants vigorous and productive. It requires good soil and high culture to produce berries five-eighths of an inch in diameter. It has been difficult to get Cherry Currants which are unmixed with other sorts. We now grow them from our own bearing bushes. Strong plants, 2 years, \$2 per doz.; first selection, 1 year, \$1.50 per doz.; extra strong plants \$3 per doz.


Fay's Prolific. Quite similar to Cherry, not quite as strong a grower. Plants 2 years old, \$2 per doz.; plants 1 year old, \$1 per doz.

North Star. A Currant of large size and very long bunches. A distinguished fruit-grower writes of this variety: "This new Currant is a good grower, great bearer, of good flavor, and hangs on the plants a long time after being thoroughly ripe." 1 year, \$2 per doz.


Victoria. An old variety of good size and quite late. The plants are the most tree-like of any—strong, spreading and productive. \$1.50 per doz.

White Grape. Large, yellowish white, sweet or mild acid, excellent quality and valuable for the table. Very productive. 2 years \$1.50 per doz.; 1 year \$1 per doz.

ONE DOZEN CURRANTS, our choice of the above, for \$1.00.

 WE DELIVER CURRANTS by mail or express, prepaid, at the prices affixed.

THE MARKETS are never one-half supplied with the choice, large Currants. Our stock of plants contains choice varieties for the market gardener to set out by the acre, or for the family garden. Parties who wish to plant by the thousand should write us for special prices. Currants and Gooseberries do better if planted in the Autumn.

 Mr. Farnsworth raised on an average 6 quarts per bush, or 320 bushels per acre, and sold them at \$2.50 per bushel. He has 5 acres of Currants.

Gooseberries.

Downing. Large pale green, fine quality, both for table or cooking. Plant vigorous and productive. A very profitable market variety. Per doz., 1 year, \$2; 2 years \$3.

Houghton. Medium size, roundish, pale red, sweet, tender and very good. A vigorous grower, with rather slender branches, exceedingly prolific; not subject to mildew. 1-year plants, \$1.50 per doz.; 2 years, \$2.

A trial of many years of nearly all the advertised sorts leads us to recommend this old variety. It is very easily grown and of excellent quality. We advise our customers not to plant the CLUSTER Gooseberry, which seems too often to be sold for the **true Houghton**.

Industry. An English variety, very large, oval, dark red, with agreeable, excellent flavor. Plants lack vigor, and are of little value here. Does better farther north. \$1.50 per doz.

Red Jacket. Very large, smooth; heavy foliage. Claimed to be free from mildew of either leaf or fruit. Strong grower; very prolific. New and promising. 30 cts. each, \$3.50 per doz.

A circular of RED JACKET, by those who have fruited it, sent free.

Triumph and Columbus. Large English Gooseberries, productive and early grown.

For Cash Orders, by Mail we will deliver Gooseberries and Currants free.

Raspberries.

Cuthbert. Quite large, crimson, very handsome, firm, sweet and excellent. In vigor, size and productiveness it is the most reliable red Raspberry for the garden or market. 60 cts. per doz., \$3 per 100.

Golden Queen. This so nearly resembles the Cuthbert in all but its beautiful color as to need no other description. \$1 per doz., \$2 for 30.

Joseph Albiston writes: "The Golden Queen I had of you last year is just splendid; the best yellow Raspberry I ever saw."

Springfield. Medium, black, very early, sweet and excellent. "Its earliness is remarkable."—*J. H. Hale*. \$1 per doz. Plants ready in November.

Mr Griffith, of *The Rural New-Yorker*, writes: "I did not know that earliness was a characteristic of the Springfield. Ours (June 18) were the earliest ripe berries ever raised on Long Island. I wish my whole plantation was Springfield and Golden Queen."

Blackberries.

Next to the strawberry in value comes the Blackberry, ripening from the 20th of July until September. The culture of this most healthful and delicious fruit has been hampered by its tenderness and liability to be winter killed, which destroys the next season's crop. Happily now we have two or three most excellent varieties, which are hardy and wonderfully prolific.

Snyder. Medium to large size, very early, exceedingly productive, entirely hardy. Fruit is of good quality, without any hard core. 75 cts. per doz., \$2 for 50.

Minnewaski, originated on the Hudson. Fruit very large, glossy black, tender, juicy, sweet, aromatic and delicious. Remarkably vigorous and productive. Season early to late. \$1 per doz., \$2 for 30.

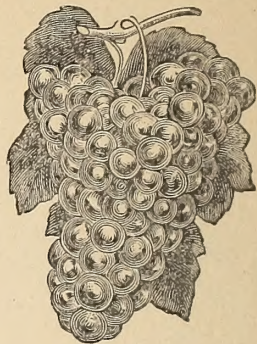
Note—Erie, Early Harvest, Wachusett, Wilson and many other varieties are too tender or unproductive to be grown in New England.

Blackberry plants sent by mail at the dozen price.

Grapes.

TO BE PLANTED IN AUTUMN.

Any fairly good soil, not wet, will grow the Grapes we name in the following list. Varieties which are tender, weakly, inclined to mildew, or too late, are omitted. Grape vines are particularly adapted to city and village lots. They occupy very little space, can be trained over doorways, fences or arbors; but no finer fruit can be produced than by the simple method of tying the vine to a single stake. A trellis can be built later, if desired. Some of our customers who raise large and beautiful bunches, train their vines to a very high arbor. A good root and tops cut back to 3 or 4 eyes, is all that is required to begin. The planting and cultivation is very readily put in practice, and abundant annual crops will result very soon after planting.



✓ **Early Amber.** A very hardy vine, good bearer; begins to ripen in August. Sweet and very good flavor. A single vine for each garden. 50 cts.

✓ **Green Mountain.** A new white grape, very early, hardy and of good flavor. Strong vines, \$1 each.

✓ **Moore's Early.** An extra early black Grape. It is larger and ripens about 10 days before the Concord. The vine does not mildew, and produces good crops. 50 cts.

✓ **Worden.** A large, black Grape of rich flavor, about a week earlier than the Concord. Hardy, productive, and always gives satisfaction. Extra strong vines, 50 cts.

✓ **Brighton.** The bunches are large, dark red, flesh tender, sweet as soon as colored, with very little pulp, ripens very early. 50 cts.; extra size, 75 cts.

✓ **Diamond.** Bunches large and long; berries large, white. Flesh tender, juicy, with but little pulp. A very promising new variety. 50 cts.; extra size, 75 cts.

✓ **Niagara.** This large white Grape is a strong grower and very prolific. Quality good. Bunches large, compact and very showy. 50 cts.

✓ **Eaton.** The largest black Grape grown. In foliage, fruit, productiveness and season of ripening, it ranks with Concord. 75 cts.

✓ **Concord.** Black; the most popular and reliable variety in cultivation. 25 cts.; extra strong vines, 50 cts.

✓ **Pocklington.** A very large and valuable white Grape for warm positions. It is productive and quite late. 50 cts.

NOTE.—We have growing in our Nursery many other Grapes, both new and old, and can furnish any variety advertised, at the lowest prices. Write for any you may desire to plant.

For Cash Orders, by Mail. We will send any of the above Grape vines by mail or express, prepaid, at the prices annexed. We pack in moss and oiled paper, and ship them to all parts of this country in perfect condition. The offer is for **strong, well-rooted vines**. We will send in the same manner, smaller vines at one-half of the above prices.

Standard Pears.

Among the choice fruits of temperate climates, Pears are quite reliable for productiveness. The soil must be made rich and kept well tilled, when they rarely fail to produce good crops annually. We have a Bartlett tree standing near our office which has borne twenty-five times in twenty-six years. The original BUFFUM Pear tree in Rhode Island was depended upon to produce fruit enough to pay the taxes on a village lot. Pear trees are not troubled with borers, and have

less obstacles to overcome than any other fruit-trees; but good cultivation will greatly improve the size and quality of the fruit.

Our Prices of Pear Trees have been greatly reduced. We invite large buyers to write to us for very low wholesale rates for trees of good quality.

NEW OR RARE VARIETIES. FIRST-CLASS TREES 5 TO 7 FEET HIGH.

✓ **Wilder.** Of medium size and good quality, very early in ripening, and keeps sound; \$1.

✓ **Vermont Beauty.** Medium, yellow with a red cheek. Very showy and of excellent flavor. Trees vigorous and hardy. Season, mid-autumn; \$1.

✓ **Comet.** A large Pear, with a brilliant red surface, showy and salable and very early, being ripe in July; \$1.

✓ **SIX OLDER PEARS.** Always reliable. 5 to 7 feet high, 75 cents each; one of each for \$4. 6 to 8 feet high, \$1; the six for \$5.

✓ **Clapp's Favorite.** The great value of this variety is no longer a matter of doubt. The trees are vigorous, hardy and productive. The fruit, when picked from the trees very early (from the first to the middle of August, before it begins to turn yellow) and ripened in the house, is juicy, vinous and excellent. 75c each.

✓ **Bartlett.** This variety leads all others. It bears while the trees are very young, even in the nursery rows, and every year afterwards. Everybody knows that the quality is good.

✓ **Sheldon.** This large American variety is one of the finest table Pears in the world; even the smallest Pears on the trees are always delicious. October and November.

✓ **Seckel** follows the Bartlett in real merit for the family garden. It is the best of all pears in flavor. It is also healthy, hardy and productive, suited to all localities.

✓ **Anjou.** A juicy, melting and sprightly, vinous Pear. The tree is a good grower, healthy, and prolific of large and sound Pears. It deserves a place in every garden, while for market it has no superior. Add to these excellent qualities its long keeping, from October to April, and its merits ought to be established. We have several customers who pronounce the ANJOU to be the best Pear grown.

✓ **Lawrence.** Medium size, golden yellow, melting and sweet. Easily grown and ripens with very little care. One of the best Pears for orchards or gardens. Early winter.

Plum Trees.

This fruit is easily grown in all the New England states, and always finds a ready market. 200 bushels per acre, and \$3 to \$5 per bushel, is reported as a fair yield and price.

Plum trees can be grown at much less cost by budding them upon peach roots, as is practiced to a great extent, both in the west and south. Our trees are all grown upon the best Plum stocks, which we annually import from France when they are only one year old. These we plant out in the nursery rows and bud them the following August. Two years later, these trees are ready for setting out in the orchard.

Sizes and Prices of Plum Trees.

5 to 7 feet high, first selection, 75 cts. each, \$7 per doz.

4 to 6 feet high, second selection, 50 cts. each, \$5 per doz.

Extra-large trees, choice selection, \$1 each, \$10 per doz.

✓ **THREE EXCELLENT VARIETIES,** which ripen in the order named:

✓ **Abundance.** A new variety from Japan. Growth rapid, and handsome as an ornamental tree. Hardy, and bears profusely while young and every year afterwards. Fruit large, bright cherry-red, juicy, tender and of a delicious sweetness. Not troubled by curculio, and the earliest to ripen.

✓ **Lombard.** Medium, violet-red, juicy, pleasant and good. Trees vigorous and very productive. Last of August. This variety bears too many Plums, and the fruit should be thinned. One of the most popular Plums in all sections and soils.

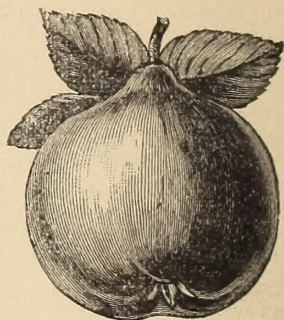
✓ **German Prune.** Fruit large, long, deep purple; flesh firm, sweet, free from stone; remains a long time on the trees without rotting. It bears regular and abundant crops. After years of trial it has grown in favor constantly. We now rate it as one of the best; a safe Plum to plant by the hundred for market, or singly in the small garden.

Special Offer for Fall Planting. We will furnish one dozen Plum trees of good sorts, our choice, for \$3.00. They are slightly crooked, but all are thrifty and of the best varieties.

Quinces.

GROWN IN TREE FORM, AND WITH GOOD ROOTS.

✓ **Borgeat.** This new Quince has borne four seasons in our nursery without a failure. The growth of the trees is often 6 feet. The leaves are very thick, glossy, and more than double the size of any other variety, continuing green as long as the leaves on the apple trees beside them. Fruit extra-large, round, smooth and golden; very tender when cooked. Keeps sound until February. Its productiveness is remarkable. Trees in the nursery rows, as we write, are well laden with fruit. The trees are as straight and thrifty as apple trees. *Its large size*, round and smooth surface, golden color, tenderness when cooked, early ripening and good keeping qualities; *its thrifty growth* the entire season, and *early bearing*, entitles it to a place in every garden. \$1 each, 6 trees for \$5.



J. C., Rochester.—“Earlier and Superior to the Champion, and a much better grower.”

Awarded first premium by the Hampden Agricultural Society.

From F. H. LOOMIS, Meriden.—“The Borgeat Quince trees were extra. The Quinces are a fine-looking fruit.”

Of Peaches we grow the most hardy varieties, such as Crosby, Champion, Mountain Rose, Old Mixon, Stump, Crawfords and others, which have succeeded so well wherever we have sent them. We mention one sale of 1518 trees, only three died. Intending buyers will do well to secure their stock this Fall.

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Of Cherries we have a large number of medium and extra-sized beautiful trees. See descriptive Catalogue.

Apples.


✓ Our stock of Baldwin, Walter Pease, Astrachan, Greening and other standard varieties, is superior in quality and certain to please those who order them.

WE MENTION A NEW APPLE.

✓ **Walter Pease.** This very large and beautiful deep red apple is now offered for the first time. The trees are quite productive, and when loaded with apples are very showy, even more so than the Baldwin. The fruit also attracts the attention of buyers, by its size and color. Its flavor is mild, rich and aromatic, and though ripe in September, it may be kept until mid-winter. We regard it as a much better apple in quality than the Gravenstein, and more profitable to grow for market. A very large grower of fruits, in an address to the HAMPDEN HARVEST CLUB said, “it

is the best apple in the world." We saw the orchard in bearing, before procuring the buds and growing the trees for market. Our stock of this variety is limited. While it lasts we offer it at very moderate prices. Trees 5 to 7 ft., \$1 each; 6 trees for \$5; 12 trees for \$10. Delivered free by express.

MERIDEN, CONN.—The flavor of the Apples you sent me is splendid, and so say several of my shop-mates. How many trees can you furnish, and at what price?

 We will send a splendid colored plate of the Walter Pease Apple to all who write for it. Every land owner should find room for at least one tree of this variety.

Rhubarb.

PLANT IN FALL. KINDS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE PEELING.

Linnaeus. Medium size, tender, mild and early. 25 cts. each, \$2 per doz.

London Market. Large, long stalks. Very tender and mild. 50 cts.

Monarch. Extra large new English sort. Superior in size and quality, having a fine apple flavor. 50 cts.

One each of the above for \$1.

Asparagus.

Make the soil deep and rich. Open drills from 14 to 20 inches apart, and 4 to 6 inches deep. Place the roots one foot apart and cover 4 inches deep. Cover the bed in the Fall with coarse manure; 100 plants will occupy about one-half of a square rod.

Conover's Colossal. Recommended for its large size, and for its tenderness and high flavor. It is of vigorous growth, sending up from 15 to 20 sprouts each year of the largest size. Color, deep green, and crown very close. 1-year plants, per 100, 75 cts.; by mail, \$1. 2-year plants, per 100, \$1; by mail, \$1.25.

Elmira. A new variety, very highly recommended. 1-year plants, \$1 per 100.

Palmetto. Gardeners near Boston think this is not as hardy and reliable as Conover's. Same price.

MARKET GARDENERS who intend to set large beds of Asparagus should write to us early for prices. We have a large stock, and can supply plants of extra quality, at the very lowest rates.



Ornamental.

In this department we furnish Trees, Vines, Shrubs, Roses and Bulbs in fact *every thing to fit out the place* and beautify the grounds. We draw plans, give estimates of expense and do the entire work of planting by contract, when desired. Employing help, trained in our own Nursery, we point to large and small grounds in several states, which we have planted, with results satisfactory to owners in every instance. We therefore suggest to our customers an appropriation and entrusting the selection to us. We are confident, from the experience of others, that those who confide the entire furnishing of their grounds to us will be better pleased with the result than by purchasing at several different establishments. We have goods of our growing and can give most liberal terms.

Ornamental Trees.

We refer buyers to our General Catalogue which we will mail free to all who write for it. We mention here that we grow a large stock of Sugar or Rock Maples.

Norway Maples with dense round heads.

Sycamore Maples with broad leaves.
 Cut-leaf Silver Maples with pendulous branches.
 Schwedlerii Maples with Scarlet leaves in May.
 Also 20 other varieties of Maples including the best from Japan.
 American and European Elms, all sizes.
 Horse Chestnuts White and Red flowering.
 Lindens, Magnolias, Oaks, Poplars, Tulip trees, Willows, etc.

Evergreen Trees.

Arbor Vitaes, Spruces, Pines, Retinosporas, Junipers and Yews, of 30 varieties: the collections selected from America, Europe and Japan, including many novelties and rare evergreens.

Our List of Shrubs.

Embraces every desirable species and variety. We especially commend them to our customers who desire handsome specimens. They have been carefully trained and are superior to any we have before offered and we are confident that people who see them will not buy elsewhere. Nurserymen who wish to increase their stock should correspond with us. We have many young plants to offer at very low prices, by the hundred or thousand.

Climbers. We call attention to our Descriptive Catalogue, page 46, where we describe Climbing Vines, of which we grow a large variety. We offer very strong plants of **Clematis**, **Japan Ivys**, Honeysuckles and Wistarias.

Lilies. Of these we cultivate Auratum, Spec. rubrum, Tigrinum Splendens, Candidum and others, for Fall setting.

Pæonies. We offer a choice collection of the very best sorts, in strong roots.

Phloxes. We cultivate only the dwarf, in some 20 varieties, the finest we could procure in Europe and America.

Tulips. These we import annually for setting in the Fall, selecting such as have given the best flowers. Our prices will be sent on application.

Roses. Many prefer the month of November to set Roses. Our stock is large, and the plants are strong and healthy. We propose to give our customers even better bargains than heretofore. Our larger Catalogue on page 53, gives full directions for planting and cultivation, and a list of the best kinds.

We have for 30 years imported for ourselves and others, novelties in the way of Roses, Bulbs and other plants. Orders should be given for imported goods before October; but it may be proper to state that Fruit trees as a class, are much cheaper here than in Europe. Trees in this country grow much more rapidly than in France; and it is only in the raising of seedlings, with cheaper labor and cloudy skies, that we can buy in Europe to much advantage.

The reader will have noticed that we speak in rather positive terms of each class of plants which are advertised in this list, and frequently advise consulting our Descriptive Catalogue.

It has been our constant study and ambition to possess the best varieties, and reject all inferior sorts. **To grow and sell the finest specimens**, whether of Fruit or Shade Trees, Shrubs, Roses or Vines. We solicit an inspection of our stock and Early Orders.



Pæonies.